Lay Pastoral Ministry Institute

What Is The Lay Pastoral Ministry Institute?

The Lay Pastoral Ministry Institute (LPMI) of the Diocese of St. Petersburg is a four year program consisting of an informal year of discernment and three years of formation in parish ministry leadership. Each year of the four-year program will be repeated annually.

What Is The Year of Discernment?

The Year of Discernment segment of the Institute is designed to accommodate all men and women of the diocese involved in or interested in being selected for ecclesial ministry. The Year of Discernment or a documented equivalent is a requirement for acceptance into the three-year formal program.

The goal of the Year of Discernment is to identify persons with leadership capabilities interested in

and able to pursue the more intense three-year element of the Institute. A secondary goal is to create in adults of the diocese an interest in and a desire for on-going faith formation.

The Year of Discernment consists of seven Saturday sessions and one day of reflection. Attendance at the Day of Reflection is a requirement for continuing in the Institute.

YEAR OF DISCERNMENT 2022-2023 SCHEDULE

Sessions are on Saturdays from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., with breaks during the day. Classes are held at Christ the King Parish, 821 South Dale Mabry Hwy., Tampa, FL 33609. Dates and session topics are as follows:

September 10, 2022: Discernment October 1, 2022: Discernment

November 12, 2022

- Introduction to Theology
- Foundations of Lay Spirituality (I)

December 10, 2022

- Ecclesiology: Christology
- Foundations of Lay Spirituality (II)

<u>January 14, 2023</u>

- Ecclesiology: What is Church
- Liturgy

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(**must attend to continue in the program) This day is <u>vital</u> to the program. In order to participate in the Day of Discernment, one must have attended all of the classes.

• Covering Costs: The Catholic Ministry Appeal (the diocese) pays for one-third, the parish pays one-third and participants pay one-third if they can afford it. If there are any financial needs, Fr. Len will find a way to try and help. He wants as many people in ministry & leadership as possible.

For more information about the next LPMI program, beginning September 2022, contact Dale Brown at dpb@dosp.org or 727-344-1611, ext. 5458 Scan the QR code with your smartphone to visit the LPMI website. —> Website address: http://dosp.org/lpmi/

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<u>March 11, 2023</u>

February 11, 2023

- Catholic Social Teaching
- Foundations of Lay Spirituality (III)

Preparing for New Thinking

April 15, 2023: Day of Discernment**

- Who Am I as a Leader
- LPMI Next Steps

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